

EXPLORER DAYS

WITTENBERG-BIRNAMWOOD

GETTING READY FOR WINTER

During the months of November and December students in K-5th grade spend days at the WB Nature Center to explore and learn about the how animals prepare for winter!

Ask your students about what they learned on their Explorer Day!

November Goal: Today I will explore the school forest looking for evidence that animals are getting ready for winter.

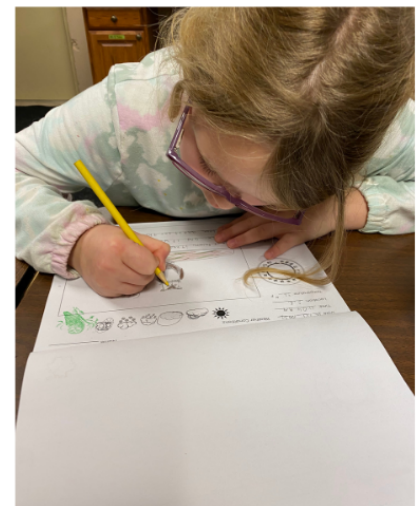
December Goal: I will make predictions about how animals are adapting to survive the cold, dark, winter season.



We always begin our Explorer Days with a nature hike to get to know our surroundings and tune into our senses.

NATURE NOTEBOOKS:

This month we took a close look at the amazing collection of wildlife mounts at the school forest (thank you to all the School Forest Committee Members over the years!) We noticed similarities and differences between animals and predicted how these adaptations helped the animal survive the winter.



DRESS FOR THE WEATHER, PLEASE!

Please continue to send you child to school on Explorer Days dressed for the weather, and don't wear anything too fancy as we are likely to get dirty...sometimes learning can be a messy job! Send 2 pairs of mittens and socks just in case one gets wet. Always accepting donations of extra gently used winter gear.



WINTER IN WISCONSIN

Nature Journaling is more than just drawing...we noticed, sketched, labeled, measured, and wrote about animal mounts that we observed in the nature center this month.